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ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

A REPORT BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY PREPARED IN COORDINATION WITH THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

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SUMMARY: Total unemployment in New Hampshire remained nearly unchanged from mid-January to mid-February with 20,690 unemployed (only 30 less than the January total). The unemployment rate was 3.8 percent for both January and February. A year ago the rate was 4.6 percent. Nationally the rates were 7.8 percent in February, 7.3 percent in January, and 7.8 percent a year ago. It should be noted that the latest labor force data by state (January 1986) indicates that New Hampshire has recorded the lowest unemployment rate of all the states for six consecutive months. In addition, New Hampshire tied with Massachusetts in 1985 and with South Dakota in both 1984 and 1983 for the lowest annual unemployment rate in the country.

Seven labor market areas had changes in unemployment of 100 or less in February. The unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.4 percent in the Claremont labor market area to a high of 6.7 percent in the Salem area. Six areas were above and six areas were below the State rate of 3.8 percent. While trade establishments were experiencing a slow period following annual inventories, ski operations were running at higher levels than a year ago in many areas. Layoffs in manufacturing decreased from January, while layoffs in nonmanufacturing increased slightly. The Salem area (New Hampshire portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill MA. PMSA) had the largest increase in unemployment with 570 as layoffs occurred at the Seabrook Nuclear Power Project due to some construction phases being completed. Compared with a year ago, eight areas had lower unemployment this February.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment decreased by 1,950 from January as manufacturing was down 350 and nonmanufacturing 1,600. Compared to a year ago, nonagricultural wage and salary employment is up by 27,450 as manufacturing is down 2,050 while nonmanufacturing is up 29,500. In the manufacturing sector, electrical products lost 2,200 workers from last year, however, in nonmanufacturing trade gained 7,800, services 8,350, and construction is up 8,600.

MANCHESTER ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment remained nearly unchanged as the unemployment rate increased slightly from 3.6 to 3.7 percent. A year ago the rate was 3.5 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment decreased by 600 from January, but is up 3,400 jobs from a year ago. While manufacturing is down 550, nonmanufacturing is up 3,950. Construction and trade are each up 1,250 over last year's level, and services has increased by 700.

NASHUA ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment increased by 120 from January as the unemployment rate increased from 3.8 to 4.0 percent. A year ago the rate was 3.2 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment decreased by 500 workers from January as manufacturing was unchanged and nonmanufacturing was down 500. Compared to the year ago level, nonagricultural employment has increased by 1,550 as manufacturing is down 1,250, but nonmanufacturing is up 2,800. In nonmanufacturing, services is up 1,050, construction by 500 and trade by 350. In manufacturing, machinery and electrical products is down 1,150.

New Hampshire Labor Force, Total Employment and Unemployment and Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment as of the Middle of the Month

Industry	State					Manchester MSA***					Nashua PMSA				
	Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous	
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Month	Year	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Month	Year	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Month	Year
1. Civilian labor force*	541,350	545,440	516,540	-4,090	24,810	81,570	82,530	77,850	-960	3,720	88,900	89,660	86,620	-760	2,280
2. Unemployment	20,690	20,720	23,550	-30	-2,860	3,980	3,000	2,690	-20	290	3,520	3,400	2.740	120	780
Percent of labor force	3.8	3.8	4.6	xxx	xxx	3.7	3.6	3.5	xxx	xxx	4.0	3.8	3.2	xxx	xxx
3. Employment total	520,660	524,720	492,990	-4,060	27,670	78,590	79,530	75,160	-940	3,430	85,380	86,260	83,880	-880	1,500
4. Persons involved in labor disputes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nonagri. wage & salary**	471,500	473,450	444,050	-1,950	27,450	80,100	80,700	76,700	-600	3,400	83,200	83,700	81,650	-500	1,550
Manufacturing	121,850	122,200	123,900	-350	-2,050	14,750	15,100	15,300	-350	-550	36,700	36,700	37,950	0	-1,250
Durable goods	83,350	83,400	85,200	-50	-1,850	9,050	9,250	9,200	-200	-150	30,400	30,500	31,500	-100	-1,100
Lumber & wood prods.	5,700	5,750	5,550	-50	150										
Furniture & fixtures	1,800	1,750	1,550	50	250										
Stone & clay prods.	2,950	3,000	2,900	-50	50										
Primary metal prods.	4,150	4,200	4,350	-50	-200										
Fabricated metal prods.	7,100	7,150	7,450	-50	-350										
Machinery (exc. elec.)	25,550	25,700	26,850	50	-100										
Electrical prods.	24,550	24,500	26,750	50	-2,200	5,500	5,500	5,850	0	-350	23,000	23,100	24,150	-100	-1,150
Miscellaneous prods.	2,200	2,250	2,100	-50	100										
Other durables	9,150	9,100	8,700	50	450	3,550	3,750	3,350	-200	200	7,400	7,400	7,350	0	50
Nondurable goods	38,500	38,800	38,700	-300	-200	5,700	5,850	6,100	-150	-400	6,300	6,200	6,450	100	-150
Food & kindred prods.	3,300	3,200	3,050	100	250										
Textile mill prods.	3,650	3,700	3,800	-50	-150										
Apparel	2,600	2,550	2,550	50	50	1,500	1,550	1,650	-50	-150					
Paper & allied prods.	5,600	5,600	5,650	0	-50										
Print., pub. & allied	7,150	7,250	7,300	-100	-150										
Leather & lea. prods.	5,550	5,650	5,400	-100	150										
Other nondurables	10,650	10,850	10,950	-200	-300	4,200	4,300	4,450	-100	-250					
Nonmanufacturing	349,650	351,250	320,150	-1,600	-29,500	65,350	65,600	61,400	-250	3,950	46,500	47,000	43,700	-500	2,800
Construction (inc. min.)	32,700	33,700	24,100	-1,000	8,600	5,100	5,100	3,850	0	1,250	3,700	3,850	3,200	-150	500
Trans., comm. & util.	15,450	15,350	15,300	100	150	4,900	4,800	4,700	100	200	2,200	2,200	2,000	0	200
Trade	111,350	112,900	103,550	-1,550	7,800	21,300	21,700	20,050	-400	1,250	17,700	17,350	16,650	-350	350
Fin., ins. & real estate	26,150	26,050	24,100	100	2,050	7,200	7,200	6,900	0	300	2,700	2,700	2,500	0	200
Service industry & other	102,350	102,350	94,000	0	8,350	19,150	19,200	18,450	-50	700	14,800	14,800	13,750	0	1,050
Government	61,650	60,900	59,100	750	2,550	7,700	7,600	7,450	100	250	6,100	6,100	5,600	0	500
Federal	8,050	7,900	7,450	150	600	2,350	2,300	2,150	50	200	750	750	750	0	0
State	16,850	16,500	16,700	350	150	850	800	850	50	0	250	250	200	0	50
Local	36,750	36,500	34,950	250	1,800	4,500	4,500	4,450	0	50	5,100	5,100	4,650	0	450

Machinery And Electrical Products Combined

* By place of residence

** By place of establishment
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*** Not validated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics

Labor Disputes:

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE BY AREA AND COUNTY

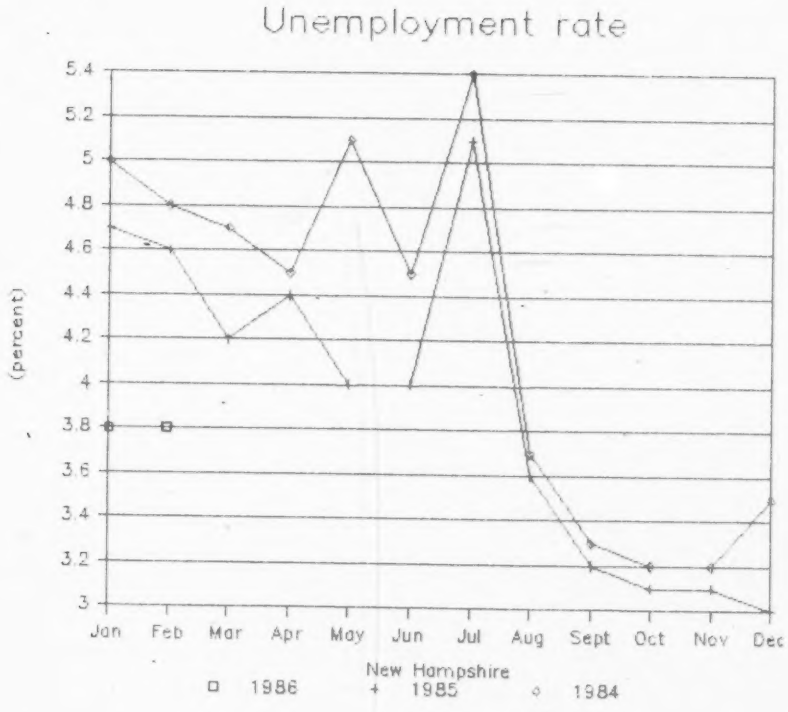
Area	Unemployment*								Civilian Labor Force				
	February 1986		January 1986		February 1986		Numerical Change From Previous		January	February	January	Numerical Change From Previous	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Month	Year	1986	1986	1985	Month	Year
UNITED STATES**	9,041	7.8	8,472	7.3	8,902	7.8	569	139	115,725	115,430	113,592	295	2,133
NEW HAMPSHIRE	20,690	3.8	20,720	3.8	23,550	4.6	-30	-2,860	541.350	545,440	516,540	-4,090	24,810
BERLIN LMA	1,220	4.9	1,220	4.8	1,180	5.1	0	40	24,950	25,200	23,170	-250	1,780
CLAREMONT LMA	870	2.4	890	2.4	1,200	3.4	-20	-330	37,020	37,560	34,840	-540	2,180
CONCORD LMA	1,350	2.7	1,500	3.0	1,690	3.6	-150	-340	49,110	49,580	46,450	-470	2,660
KEENE LMA	1,060	2.7	1,160	2.9	1,690	4.5	-100	-630	39,420	39,850	37,710	-430	1,710
LACONIA LMA	1,590	3.4	1,690	3.6	2,150	4.8	-100	-560	46,790	47,380	44,830	-590	1,960
LITTLETON LMA	800	4.7	840	4.9	960	6.0	-40	-160	17,020	17,130	16,020	-110	1,000
MANCHESTER MSA	2,980	3.7	3,000	3.6	2,690	3.5	-20	290	81,570	82,530	77,850	-960	3,720
NASHUA PMSA	3,520	4.0	3,400	3.8	3,740	3.2	120	780	88,900	89,660	86,620	-760	2,280
N.H. PORTION LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL MA. PMSA***	2,920	6.7	2,350	5.5	2,720	6.7	570	200	43,760	43,030	40,740	730	3,020
PORTSMOUTH-DOVER-ROCHESTER N.H.-ME.	4,070	3.4	4,300	3.6	5,760	5.1	-230	-1,690	118,760	119,460	113,950	-700	4,810
UNATTACHED ESTIMATING AREA****	720	4.4	850	5.2	1,180	7.6	-130	-460	16,190	16,380	15,460	-190	730
N.H. PORTION LOWELL MA. PMSA	270	5.8	260	5.6	290	6.3	10	-20	4,680	4,640	4,620	40	60
County													
BELKNAP	800	3.3	920	3.8	1,290	5.6	-120	-490	24,000	24,360	23,190	-360	810
CARROLL	460	2.8	460	2.8	690	4.4	0	-230	16,380	16,540	15,550	-160	830
CHESHIRE	970	2.7	1,080	3.0	1,540	4.6	-110	-570	35,280	35,690	33,760	-410	1,520
COOS	1,280	6.1	1,280	6.1	1,110	5.7	0	170	20,930	21,110	19,320	-180	1,610
GRAFTON	1,220	3.3	1,240	3.3	1,480	4.2	-20	-260	36,990	37,370	34,860	-380	2,130
HILLSBOROUGH	6,570	3.9	6,470	3.8	5,800	3.5	100	770	170,240	171,810	164,110	-1,570	6,130
MERRIMACK	1,680	2.9	1,810	3.1	2,020	3.7	-130	-340	57,970	58,570	54,950	-600	3,020
ROCKINGHAM	5,270	4.9	4,820	4.5	5,360	5.3	450	-90	108,160	107,900	101,950	260	6,210
STRAFFORD	1,940	3.7	2,110	4.0	3,570	7.0	-170	-1,630	52,220	52,610	50,770	-390	1,450
SULLIVAN	500	2.6	530	2.7	690	3.8	-30	-190	19,180	19,480	18,080	-300	1,100

* Based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics "43 Step Method" handbook adjusted to the Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates.

** In thousands, not seasonally adjusted.

*** New Hampshire Portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill, Massachusetts Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area which includes Salem and twelve small towns.

**** Includes twenty towns previously in either Dover, Portsmouth, Manchester or Nashua LMAS.



AREA DEFINITIONS

Manchester MSA includes the city of Manchester and towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett.

Nashua PMSA is located in the southern section of Hillsborough County and includes the City of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton.

U. S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Item	1985	1984	1983	1982
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers				
Current month - February	323.2			
Percent change from year ago	3.0			
Year average		307.6	297.4	288.6
Percent increase each year		3.4	3.0	6.0
All Urban Consumers				
Current month - February	327.5			
Percent change from year ago	3.2			
Year average		311.1	298.4	289.1
Percent increase each year		4.3	3.2	6.1

NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$309.87	$317.18	$311.18	$320.02	$317.34	$319.02	$321.57	$321.50	$326.27	$327.59	$333.31	$338.97	$322.26
DURABLE GOODS	326.68	333.43	328.02	334.74	330.34	332.05	329.67	332.92	339.04	339.89	347.78	353.60	336.15
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	235.52	246.23	234.55	247.16	249.60	248.75	240.16	261.76	264.58	258.62	259.34	269.15	251.83
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	257.66	259.75	255.43	266.11	262.58	265.65	291.47	263.15	271.60	276.67	273.70	277.67	268.10
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	325.18	328.74	298.49	328.70	319.14	316.58	315.33	311.67	313.40	328.36	344.36	370.30	323.43
PRIMARY METAL IND.	356.04	364.59	358.97	357.85	348.80	356.77	354.09	351.50	348.10	358.52	367.19	370.63	357.72
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	307.29	303.23	292.99	306.12	302.99	305.12	295.00	300.98	314.29	308.10	304.50	302.91	304.21
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	362.10	379.26	375.40	379.21	379.31	377.99	364.65	376.83	382.38	378.87	391.98	412.13	380.60
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	330.08	333.29	326.76	332.52	327.63	332.40	335.87	335.47	342.15	351.48	355.41	350.00	338.48
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	236.16	255.42	254.49	252.05	261.19	249.67	253.70	249.13	257.74	247.05	255.44	253.13	252.10
OTHER DURABLES	343.58	341.09	351.85	353.21	350.69	341.96	344.20	344.16	347.62	346.46	352.87	369.64	348.47
NONDURABLE GOODS	280.13	90.154	290.40	281.39	295.65	295.87	305.37	299.36	301.99	303.51	305.88	309.42	297.14
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	358.27	365.44	373.70	384.71	389.23	390.15	382.82	402.59	379.85	389.43	391.13	382.54	382.89
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	260.58	259.69	260.90	267.24	263.56	267.18	270.28	269.17	274.85	265.39	266.94	275.81	266.53
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	200.20	207.65	190.50	207.52	206.82	202.76	192.96	209.25	202.58	207.57	207.20	204.42	203.32
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	414.35	414.02	417.14	432.25	426.79	441.64	454.41	435.02	438.00	450.72	443.58	452.06	433.71
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	300.20	312.76	305.60	305.11	297.86	294.84	290.86	289.64	295.48	294.74	300.65	300.31	298.94
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	172.20	184.58	169.06	181.84	191.87	190.10	209.79	190.64	194.38	185.36	184.48	192.96	186.65
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	160.50	173.57	156.97	167.31	178.87	180.54	202.66	182.31	185.68	175.21	175.02	181.98	76.30
OTHER NONDURABLES	304.96	327.66	317.70	325.71	321.98	319.87	329.96	328.60	331.85	328.80	338.52	337.84	326.65

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	40.4	41.3	40.1	41.4	41.0	40.9	40.5	40.8	41.3	41.0	41.2	41.9	41.0
DURABLE GOODS	41.3	42.1	40.9	42.0	41.5	41.3	40.5	41.0	41.6	41.4	41.7	42.5	41.5
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	38.8	40.3	38.2	39.8	40.0	39.8	38.0	40.9	41.6	40.6	41.1	41.6	40.1
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	36.6	37.7	36.7	38.4	38.0	38.5	38.2	37.7	38.8	39.3	39.1	40.3	38.3
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	43.3	43.6	40.5	42.8	41.5	41.6	41.6	41.5	41.4	42.7	43.7	46.0	42.5
PRIMARY METAL IND.	46.0	44.9	44.1	44.9	43.6	44.1	43.5	42.4	42.4	43.3	44.4	44.6	44.0
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	40.7	41.2	38.5	40.6	41.0	40.2	40.3	40.4	41.3	40.7	39.7	39.7	40.4
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	42.5	44.1	43.6	44.3	43.8	43.8	42.5	43.1	43.7	43.8	44.9	47.1	44.0
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	40.7	41.3	39.8	40.9	40.2	40.0	39.1	39.7	40.3	40.4	39.8	40.0	40.2
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	39.1	43.0	42.7	41.8	43.1	41.2	43.0	41.8	43.1	40.5	40.1	39.8	41.6
OTHER DURABLES	41.0	40.8	41.2	41.9	41.6	41.2	39.7	40.3	40.8	40.1	40.7	42.1	40.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.8	40.0	38.6	40.5	40.3	40.2	40.5	40.4	40.7	40.2	40.3	40.5	40.1
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	40.3	41.2	40.4	41.5	42.4	42.5	42.3	42.2	42.3	42.1	42.7	41.4	41.8
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	40.4	40.2	40.2	40.8	40.3	39.7	39.4	39.7	40.3	38.8	38.8	40.5	39.9
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	36.4	38.1	34.7	37.8	36.8	36.6	36.0	37.3	36.9	37.4	37.4	37.1	36.9
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	46.4	45.9	46.4	47.5	46.9	48.8	49.5	47.7	47.3	48.0	47.8	48.4	47.4
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	39.5	40.2	40.0	40.9	39.4	39.0	39.2	39.3	40.7	40.1	39.3	38.8	39.7
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	32.8	34.5	31.6	33.8	35.4	35.6	35.8	35.7	35.6	34.2	34.1	36.0	34.5
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	32.1	33.9	30.9	33.0	34.8	35.4	39.2	35.4	35.3	33.5	33.4	35.2	34.3
OTHER NONDURABLES	39.4	41.9	41.1	42.3	41.6	40.8	41.4	41.7	41.9	41.1	42.0	41.1	41.4

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$7.67	$7.68	$7.76	$7.73	$7.74	$7.80	$7.94	$7.88	$7.90	$7.99	$8.09	$8.09	$7.86
DURABLE GOODS	7.91	7.92	8.02	7.97	7.96	8.04	8.14	8.12	8.15	8.21	8.34	8.32	8.10
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	6.07	6.11	6.14	6.21	6.24	6.25	6.32	6.40	6.36	6.37	6.31	6.47	6.28
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	7.04	6.89	6.96	6.93	6.91	6.90	7.63	6.93	7.00	7.04	7.00	6.89	7.00
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	7.51	7.54	7.37	7.68	7.69	7.61	7.52	7.51	7.57	7.69	7.88	8.05	7.61
PRIMARY METAL IND.	7.74	8.12	8.14	7.97	8.00	8.09	8.14	8.29	8.21	8.28	8.27	8.31	8.13
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	7.55	7.36	7.61	7.54	7.39	7.59	7.32	7.45	7.61	7.57	7.67	7.63	7.53
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	8.52	8.60	8.61	8.56	8.66	8.63	8.58	8.72	8.75	8.65	8.73	8.75	8.65
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	8.11	8.07	8.21	8.13	8.15	8.31	8.59	8.45	8.49	8.70	8.93	8.75	8.42
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	6.04	5.94	5.96	6.03	6.06	6.06	5.90	5.96	5.98	6.10	6.37	6.36	6.06
OTHER DURABLES	8.38	8.36	8.54	8.43	8.43	8.30	8.67	8.54	8.52	8.64	8.67	8.78	8.52
NONDURABLE GOODS	7.22	7.26	7.29	7.30	7.33	7.36	7.54	7.41	7.42	7.55	7.59	7.64	7.41
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	8.89	8.87	9.25	9.27	9.18	9.18	9.05	9.54	8.98	9.25	9.16	9.24	9.16
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	6.45	6.46	6.49	6.55	6.54	6.73	6.86	6.78	6.82	6.84	6.88	6.81	6.68
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	5.50	5.45	5.49	5.49	5.62	5.54	5.36	5.61	5.49	5.55	5.54	5.51	5.51
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	8.93	9.02	8.99	9.10	9.10	9.05	9.18	9.12	9.26	9.39	9.28	9.34	9.15
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	7.60	7.78	7.64	7.46	7.56	7.56	7.42	7.37	7.26	7.35	7.65	7.74	7.53
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	5.25	5.35	5.35	5.38	5.42	5.34	5.86	5.34	5.46	5.42	5.41	5.36	5.41
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	5.00	5.12	5.08	5.07	5.14	5.10	5.17	5.15	5.26	5.23	5.24	5.17	5.14
OTHER NONDURABLES	7.74	7.82	7.73	7.70	7.74	7.84	7.97	7.88	7.92	8.00	8.06	8.22	7.89

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$292.53	$295.14	$293.61	$299.36	$298.40	$297.70	$304.13	$303.20	$317.65	$313.13	$315.93	$318.76	$304.00
DURABLE GOODS	308.46	308.09	306.10	314.38	310.47	317.58	323.05	323.21	346.48	335.70	337.74	344.25	323.60
MACHINERY & ELEC.	315.61	320.31	309.60	317.56	315.61	326.01	322.87	327.65	348.15	343.56	353.64	353.56	329.67
OTHER DURABLES	297.11	289.18	301.46	310.02	303.41	304.56	323.19	315.59	342.74	323.05	312.30	330.00	312.80
NONDURABLE GOODS	274.01	280.02	278.50	281.52	283.50	274.62	279.30	278.90	282.20	283.31	288.36	283.61	280.30
TEXTILES & APPAREL	243.42	247.10	244.97	255.36	260.17	269.33	254.53	262.66	264.60	259.35	255.45	261.09	256.37
OTHER NONDURABLES	288.01	293.87	293.22	293.76	293.15	276.75	289.67	285.53	288.77	291.41	299.71	291.10	290.39

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	38.9	40.1	39.2	40.4	40.0	39.8	39.6	40.0	41.2	40.3	40.4	40.4	40.0
DURABLE GOODS	38.8	39.6	38.6	40.1	39.5	40.2	39.3	40.1	42.1	40.3	40.4	40.5	40.0
MACHINERY & ELEC.	39.9	40.7	38.7	40.3	39.8	40.7	38.9	40.5	42.2	40.9	42.0	41.4	40.5
OTHER DURABLES	37.0	37.9	38.5	39.9	39.2	39.4	39.9	39.4	41.9	39.3	37.9	39.1	39.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	39.2	40.7	39.9	40.8	40.5	39.4	39.9	39.9	40.2	40.3	40.5	40.4	40.1
TEXTILES & APPAREL	38.7	39.6	38.7	39.9	39.3	39.9	38.8	38.4	39.2	39.0	39.0	39.8	39.2
OTHER NONDURABLES	39.4	41.1	40.5	41.2	41.0	39.2	40.4	40.5	40.5	40.7	41.0	40.6	40.5

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA 1984 AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$7.52	$7.36	$7.49	$7.41	$7.46	$7.48	$7.68	$7.58	$7.71	$7.77	$7.82	$7.89	**$7.60**
DURABLE GOODS	7.95	7.78	7.93	7.84	7.86	7.90	8.22	8.06	8.23	8.33	8.36	8.50	**8.09**
MACHINERY & ELEC.	7.91	7.87	8.00	7.88	7.93	8.01	8.30	8.09	8.25	8.40	8.42	8.54	**8.14**
OTHER DURABLES	8.03	7.63	7.83	7.77	7.74	7.73	8.10	8.01	8.18	8.22	8.24	8.44	**8.00**
NONDURABLE GOODS	6.99	6.88	6.98	6.90	7.00	6.97	7.00	6.99	7.02	7.03	7.12	7.02	**6.99**
TEXTILES & APPAREL	6.29	6.24	6.33	6.40	6.62	6.75	6.56	6.84	6.75	6.65	6.55	6.56	**6.54**
OTHER NONDURABLES	7.31	7.15	7.24	7.13	7.15	7.06	7.17	7.05	7.13	7.16	7.31	7.17	**7.17**

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NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	41.7	42.5	40.8	41.7	41.2	41.7	40.2	41.1	40.8	40.9	41.6	42.0	41.3
DURABLE GOODS	42.5	43.0	41.1	42.3	41.9	42.4	40.6	41.4	41.0	41.3	41.9	42.4	41.8
MACHINERY & ELEC.	41.9	43.0	40.9	41.9	41.3	42.1	40.1	40.7	40.9	41.0	41.4	41.6	41.4
OTHER DURABLES	43.8	43.0	41.7	43.3	43.4	43.4	42.0	43.1	41.4	42.1	43.2	44.3	42.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.3	40.2	39.1	39.3	38.5	38.8	38.6	39.8	40.1	39.3	40.5	40.0	39.4

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NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$371.55	$385.90	$375.77	$384.06	$379.04	$384.47	$375.07	$381.00	$378.22	$390.19	$403.52	**$403.20**	**$384.09**
DURABLE GOODS	377.83	389.58	378.12	390.43	386.74	391.35	380.42	385.43	382.94	396.89	409.36	**407.89**	**389.99**
MACHINERY & ELEC.	407.27	419.25	406.55	416.91	411.76	420.58	403.41	410.26	411.45	426.40	438.84	**432.22**	**417.31**
OTHER DURABLES	308.79	316.91	309.41	323.02	323.33	320.29	320.04	321.10	311.74	321.22	333.07	**346.43**	**321.32**
NONDURABLE GOODS	345.08	368.63	360.50	359.20	349.20	354.24	352.80	361.38	359.30	362.35	379.08	**379.60**	**361.30**

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NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$8.91	$9.08	$9.21	$9.21	$9.20	$9.22	$9.33	$9.27	$9.27	$9.54	$9.70	$9.60	$9.30
DURABLE GOODS	8.89	9.06	9.20	9.23	9.23	9.23	9.37	9.31	9.34	9.61	9.77	9.62	9.33
MACHINERY & ELEC.	9.72	9.75	9.94	9.95	9.97	9.99	10.06	10.08	10.06	10.40	10.60	10.39	10.08
OTHER DURABLES	7.05	7.37	7.42	7.46	7.45	7.38	7.62	7.45	7.53	7.63	7.71	7.82	7.49
NONDURABLE GOODS	9.01	9.17	9.22	9.14	9.07	9.13	9.14	9.08	8.96	9.22	9.36	9.49	9.17

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NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	Noveaber	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$333.33	$331.68	$336.18	$335.76	$334.06	$340.17	$337.11	$339.29	$345.63	$347.24	$353.87	$360.26	$341.47
DURABLE GOODS	344.86	345.61	348.50	349.32	345.82	351.48	344.12	353.43	358.39	358.69	367.22	375.16	353.79
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	260.35	259.38	256.63	255.18	258.57	258.69	242.17	264.77	256.62	257.15	256.58	262.58	257.01
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	278.24	283.31	270.86	267.54	263.10	272.50	287.89	286.04	286.34	282.27	272.74	293.94	278.69
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	341.64	323.01	321.59	342.59	338.44	339.29	323.42	347.96	334.40	336.00	344.03	353.03	337.26
PRIMARY METAL IND.	355.31	344.76	367.04	371.18	360.74	364.49	366.38	372.19	390.58	393.64	415.53	385.93	373.63
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	303.00	307.26	313.18	310.85	312.03	324.01	294.88	329.51	332.91	334.14	341.54	353.64	321.60
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	383.66	386.32	385.88	385.85	382.79	391.87	372.86	378.16	389.30	386.57	401.65	416.76	388.02
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	355.41	335.68	360.77	360.36	359.04	363.47	371.14	373.83	377.45	380.33	388.73	392.35	369.42
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	261.60	267.40	277.13	286.37	279.28	251.90	248.12	257.57	259.49	261.51	253.88	271.21	264.53
OTHER DURABLES	358.48	358.48	362.75	357.35	350.80	363.74	364.18	363.91	372.45	372.81	378.07	389.85	366.20
NONDURABLE GOODS	309.57	304.56	310.80	308.47	310.04	316.37	322.81	313.98	321.50	324.36	329.27	332.92	317.18
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	359.45	358.78	373.92	358.93	393.46	389.91	403.43	383.78	378.92	375.84	407.88	393.41	381.23
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	278.24	268.42	275.49	267.63	269.40	274.56	267.67	276.98	291.75	294.35	287.34	295.82	279.60
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	204.60	204.61	210.92	209.35	207.43	216.82	201.64	217.46	206.45	209.60	211.48	212.65	209.56
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	430.11	420.89	425.49	439.44	432.89	450.08	443.16	431.50	451.09	448.86	459.36	467.48	441.78
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	305.73	315.12	313.08	306.61	312.24	319.22	325.26	322.92	324.62	329.33	339.72	365.65	322.87
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	189.21	181.49	189.04	190.70	195.64	204.05	204.61	200.00	201.66	202.21	204.98	198.92	197.28
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	176.46	168.35	175.43	176.80	184.79	191.73	189.80	188.71	191.46	192.52	194.71	186.19	185.31
OTHER NONDURABLES	341.55	332.92	340.31	334.97	333.28	336.44	350.27	339.25	354.38	362.82	364.46	360.19	345.58

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NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	41.0	40.4	40.7	40.6	40.2	40.4	39.8	40.2	41.0	40.9	41.1	41.6	40.7
DURABLE GOODS	41.4	40.9	41.0	41.0	40.4	40.4	39.6	40.3	41.1	40.9	41.4	42.2	40.9
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	40.1	39.6	39.3	38.9	39.0	38.9	37.2	39.4	39.0	39.5	38.7	38.9	39.0
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	40.5	41.0	39.6	39.0	36.9	37.9	39.6	39.4	40.5	39.7	39.3	42.6	39.7
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	43.3	41.2	40.3	42.4	42.2	42.2	41.2	42.8	41.8	42.0	41.4	43.0	42.0
PRIMARY METAL IND.	42.4	40.8	41.9	41.8	40.9	41.0	40.8	40.9	42.5	42.1	44.3	41.1	41.7
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	40.4	39.8	40.1	39.7	39.8	40.4	38.0	39.7	40.5	40.6	41.1	42.0	40.2
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	44.2	44.0	43.8	44.3	43.4	43.3	41.8	42.3	43.4	43.0	43.8	45.3	43.5
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	39.8	39.0	39.3	39.0	38.4	38.3	38.5	38.9	39.9	39.7	40.2	40.7	39.3
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	40.0	40.7	41.8	42.3	42.9	38.4	37.2	38.5	38.5	38.8	37.5	38.8	39.6
OTHER DURABLES	41.3	41.3	41.6	40.7	40.0	41.1	40.6	40.3	41.2	40.7	41.5	42.7	41.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	40.1	39.4	40.0	39.7	39.8	40.2	40.2	40.1	40.8	40.8	40.6	40.6	40.2
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	39.5	39.6	41.0	39.4	41.2	41.0	42.2	41.4	40.7	40.5	41.2	39.9	40.6
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	40.5	39.3	40.1	39.3	39.1	39.0	37.7	39.4	41.5	41.4	40.7	41.2	40.0
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	37.2	36.8	37.2	36.6	36.2	37.0	35.5	37.3	36.8	36.2	36.4	36.6	36.7
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	46.1	45.6	45.9	47.1	46.9	48.5	47.6	46.8	48.4	47.7	47.8	48.9	47.3
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	38.7	39.0	38.7	37.9	38.5	38.6	39.0	39.0	39.3	39.3	38.3	40.9	38.9
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	35.3	33.3	34.0	34.8	35.7	37.1	36.8	36.9	36.8	36.9	37.0	36.3	36.0
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	34.6	32.5	33.1	34.0	35.4	36.8	36.5	36.5	36.4	36.6	36.6	35.6	35.5
OTHER NONDURABLES	41.2	40.6	41.4	40.8	40.3	40.1	40.4	40.1	41.4	41.8	41.7	40.2	40.8

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NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Averag
MANUFACTURING	$8.13	$8.21	$8.26	$8.27	$8.31	$8.42	$8.47	$8.44	$8.43	$8.49	$8.61	$8.66	$8.39
DURABLE GOODS	8.33	8.45	8.50	8.52	8.56	8.70	8.69	8.77	8.72	8.77	8.87	8.89	8.65
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	6.49	6.55	6.53	6.56	6.63	6.65	6.51	6.72	6.58	6.51	6.63	6.75	6.59
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	6.87	6.91	6.84	6.86	7.13	7.19	7.27	7.26	7.07	7.11	6.94	6.90	7.02
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	7.89	7.84	7.98	8.08	8.02	8.04	7.85	8.13	8.00	8.00	8.31	8.21	8.03
PRIMARY METAL IND.	8.38	8.45	8.76	8.88	8.82	8.89	8.98	9.10	9.19	9.35	9.38	9.39	8.96
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	7.50	7.72	7.81	7.83	7.84	8.02	7.76	8.30	8.22	8.23	8.31	8.42	8.00
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	8.68	8.78	8.81	8.71	8.82	9.05	8.92	8.94	8.97	8.99	9.17	9.20	8.92
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	8.93	9.12	9.18	9.24	9.35	9.49	9.64	9.61	9.46	9.58	9.67	9.64	9.40
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	6.54	6.57	6.63	6.77	6.51	6.56	6.67	6.69	6.74	6.74	6.77	6.99	6.68
OTHER DURABLES	8.68	8.68	8.72	8.78	8.77	8.85	8.97	9.03	9.04	9.16	9.11	9.13	8.91
NONDURABLE GOODS	7.72	7.73	7.77	7.77	7.79	7.87	8.03	7.83	7.88	7.95	8.11	8.20	7.89
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	9.10	9.06	9.12	9.11	9.55	9.51	9.56	9.27	9.31	9.28	9.90	9.86	9.39
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	6.87	6.83	6.87	6.81	6.89	7.04	7.10	7.03	7.03	7.11	7.06	7.18	6.99
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	5.50	5.56	5.67	5.72	5.73	5.86	5.68	5.83	5.61	5.79	5.81	5.81	5.71
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	9.33	9.23	9.27	9.33	9.23	9.28	9.31	9.22	9.32	9.41	9.61	9.56	9.34
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	7.90	8.08	8.09	8.09	8.11	8.27	8.34	8.28	8.26	8.38	8.87	8.94	8.30
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	5.36	5.45	5.56	5.48	5.48	5.50	5.56	5.42	5.48	5.48	5.54	5.48	5.48
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	5.10	5.18	5.30	5.20	5.22	5.21	5.20	5.17	5.26	5.26	5.32	5.23	5.22
OTHER NONDURABLES	8.29	8.20	8.22	8.21	8.27	8.39	8.67	8.46	8.56	8.68	8.74	8.96	8.47

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$314.42	$317.21	$321.60	$321.60	$318.00	$323.14	$328.94	$328.75	$332.43	$332.64	$342.19	$351.02	$328.00
DURABLE GOODS	339.29	345.02	346.58	349.11	343.94	345.54	358.27	354.80	355.91	352.29	359.50	370.31	351.60
MACHINERY & ELEC.	345.14	348.02	352.10	348.53	343.08	349.27	361.17	358.80	358.20	353.72	370.37	388.31	355.77
OTHER DURABLES	332.24	340.69	338.52	350.96	344.40	338.43	354.22	348.33	351.52	349.27	345.82	346.42	345.39
NONDURABLE GOODS	278.24	276.97	286.56	283.06	282.10	292.80	289.69	291.91	299.70	304.21	316.42	321.68	293.27
TEXTILES & APPAREL	255.03	260.83	271.49	264.53	251.37	263.42	246.47	270.44	275.60	272.25	273.34	277.78	265.38
OTHER NONDURABLES	286.38	282.12	291.85	290.14	293.20	302.30	302.51	299.69	307.75	315.02	330.64	336.49	303.11

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	39.8	39.8	40.1	40.2	39.7	39.6	39.3	39.8	40.1	39.6	40.4	41.2	40.0
DURABLE GOODS	40.2	40.4	40.3	40.5	39.9	39.4	39.5	40.0	39.9	39.1	39.9	41.1	40.0
MACHINERY & ELEC.	40.7	40.8	40.8	40.2	39.8	39.6	39.3	40.0	39.8	38.7	40.7	42.3	40.2
OTHER DURABLES	39.6	39.8	39.5	41.0	40.0	38.9	39.8	39.9	39.9	39.6	38.9	39.5	39.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	39.3	38.9	39.8	39.7	39.4	40.0	39.2	39.5	40.5	40.4	41.2	41.4	39.9
TEXTILES & APPAREL	38.7	39.4	40.4	39.6	37.8	39.2	37.4	38.8	40.0	39.4	39.5	40.2	39.2
OTHER NONDURABLES	39.5	38.7	39.6	39.8	40.0	40.2	39.7	39.8	40.6	40.7	41.8	41.8	40.2

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$7.90	$7.97	$8.02	$8.00	$8.01	$8.16	$8.37	$8.26	$8.29	$8.40	$8.47	$8.52	$8.20
DURABLE GOODS	8.44	8.54	8.60	8.62	8.62	8.77	9.07	8.87	8.92	9.01	9.01	9.01	8.79
MACHINERY & ELEC.	8.48	8.53	8.63	8.67	8.62	8.82	9.19	8.97	9.00	9.14	9.10	9.18	8.85
OTHER DURABLES	8.39	8.56	8.57	8.56	8.61	8.70	8.90	8.73	8.81	8.82	8.89	8.77	8.70
NONDURABLE GOODS	7.08	7.12	7.20	7.13	7.16	7.32	7.39	7.39	7.40	7.53	7.68	7.77	7.35
TEXTILES & APPAREL	6.59	6.62	6.72	6.68	6.65	6.72	6.59	6.97	6.89	6.91	6.92	6.91	6.77
OTHER NONDURABLE	7.25	7.29	7.37	7.29	7.33	7.52	7.62	7.53	7.58	7.74	7.91	8.05	7.54

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$393.71	$398.37	$398.11	$395.52	$397.13	$405.96	$397.19	$400.80	$408.12	$415.74	$423.54	$427.84	$405.14
DURABLE GOODS	397.16	406.13	404.74	402.70	404.09	415.24	404.61	413.31	417.66	426.62	429.51	435.08	412.41
MACHINERY & ELEC.	425.60	433.30	431.83	431.07	435.23	449.08	435.11	444.91	450.43	456.74	464.92	461.90	442.27
OTHER DURABLES	326.90	335.20	339.34	331.93	328.64	333.94	332.10	337.02	340.23	355.73	348.93	372.27	340.13
NONDURABLE GOODS	377.92	367.93	369.21	368.16	370.17	368.26	367.35	353.99	370.99	374.75	394.60	398.59	373.23

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BANCHMARK

NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	41.4	40.9	41.0	40.4	40.4	40.8	39.6	40.0	41.1	41.0	41.2	41.7	40.8
DURABLE GOODS	41.5	41.4	41.3	40.8	40.9	41.4	40.1	40.6	41.6	41.5	41.7	42.2	41.2
MACHINERY & ELEC.	41.2	40.8	40.7	40.4	40.6	41.2	39.7	40.3	41.4	41.0	41.4	41.5	40.8
OTHER DURABLES	42.4	42.7	42.9	41.7	41.6	41.9	41.0	41.2	41.9	42.5	42.5	43.9	42.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	40.9	39.1	39.7	39.0	38.6	38.4	37.6	37.9	39.3	39.2	38.8	39.7	39.0

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$9.51	$9.74	$9.71	$9.79	$9.83	$9.95	$10.03	$10.02	$9.93	$10.14	$10.28	$10.26	$9.93
DURABLE GOODS	9.57	9.81	9.80	9.87	9.88	10.03	10.09	10.18	10.04	10.28	10.30	10.31	10.01
MACHINERY & ELEC.	10.33	10.62	10.61	10.67	10.72	10.90	10.96	11.04	10.88	11.14	11.23	11.13	10.84
OTHER DURABLES	7.71	7.85	7.91	7.96	7.90	7.97	8.10	8.18	8.12	8.37	8.21	8.48	8.06
NONDURABLE GOODS	9.24	9.41	9.30	9.44	9.59	9.59	9.77	9.34	9.44	9.56	10.17	10.04	9.57

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

Weekly Claims Filed During February 1986
Classified by Local Office

Area	Unemployment Compensation		U.C. State Workers (Only)		UC Local Government		Servicemen UCX (Only)		U.C. Federal Employees No UI	
	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.
All Offices	3,083	14,860	3	48	5	16	27	115	8	58
Berlin	118	1,160	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	8
Claremont	90	360	0	0	2	5	2	5	0	0
Concord	211	1,116	1	7	0	4	1	7	0	0
Conway	56	269	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	2
Dover	412	1,698	1	16	2	1	10	26	4	25
Keene	181	752	0	2	0	4	3	10	0	4
Laconia	219	1,102	1	8	0	0	0	7	0	0
Lebanon	44	271	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Littleton	127	821	0	0	0	2	1	6	0	0
Manchester	668	2,792	0	1	0	0	4	7	0	4
Nashua	379	1,520	0	8	1	0	2	15	0	3
Portsmouth	255	1,259	0	2	0	0	3	12	2	7
Salem	131	465	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Liable Interstate	192	1,275	0	4	0	0	0	5	2	4

The average payment for a week of total unemployment was $111.52

Unemployment Compensation Fund Balance End of Month

$118,585,867.12

Net contributions received during month:

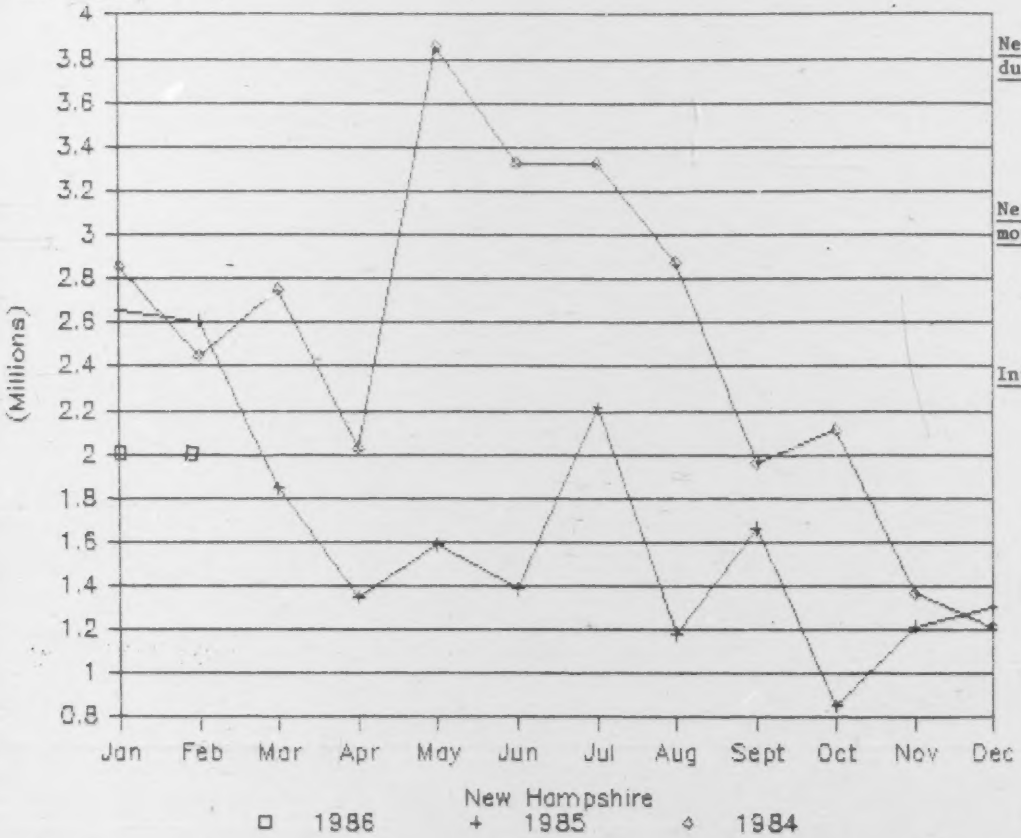
$ 1,597,472.61

Net benefits paid during month:

$ 2,007,639.43

Interest Received:

$ 2,966,360.80



AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

New Hampshire

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1896	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
All manufacturing	$355.10	$352.15	$331.68	41.1	40.9	40.4	$8.64	$8.61	$8.21
Durable goods	365.92	366.33	345.61	41.3	41.3	40.9	8.86	8.87	8.45
Lumber & wood prods.	255.18	254.13	259.38	38.2	38.1	39.6	6.68	6.67	6.55
Furniture & fixtures	275.41	274.86	283.31	39.4	40.6	41.0	6.99	6.77	6.91
Stone & clay prods.	357.83	352.36	323.01	42.7	42.3	41.2	8.38	8.33	7.84
Primary metal prods.	368.45	366.17	344.76	40.4	39.5	40.8	9.12	9.27	8.45
Fab. metal prods.	338.18	347.13	307.26	39.6	40.6	39.8	8.54	8.55	7.72
Mach. (exc. elec.)	407.59	402.22	386.32	44.4	44.2	44.0	9.18	9.10	8.78
Electrical prods.	385.97	390.02	355.68	40.5	40.5	39.0	9.53	9.63	9.12
Miscellaneous prods.	273.74	281.71	267.40	38.5	39.4	40.7	7.11	7.15	6.57
Other durables	375.83	373.68	358.48	41.3	41.2	41.3	9.10	9.07	6.68
Nondurable goods	333.74	325.62	304.56	40.7	40.2	39.4	8.20	8.10	7.73
Food & kindred prods.	363.26	380.00	358.78	37.8	40.0	39.6	9.61	9.50	9.06
Textile mill prods.	309.16	297.65	268.42	43.3	42.1	39.3	7.14	7.07	6.83
Apparel	231.25	219.91	204.61	38.8	37.4	36.8	5.96	5.88	5.56
Paper & allied prods.	462.24	436.08	420.89	47.9	46.0	45.6	9.65	9.48	9.23
Print., pub. & allied	359.50	349.18	315.12	39.9	39.5	39.0	9.01	8.84	8.08
Leather & lea. prods.	188.15	189.75	181.49	33.9	34.5	33.3	5.55	5.50	5.45
Footwear	175.30	176.25	168.35	33.2	33.7	32.5	5.28	5.23	5.18
Other nondurables	368.72	359.57	332.92	41.9	41.0	40.6	8.80	8.77	8.20

Sample Percen of Production Workers: 57%

Total Production Workers: 83,850

Firms Reporting: 368

Manchester MSA*

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
All manufacturing	$353.91	$344.92	$317.21	41.2	40.2	39.8	$8.59	$8.58	$7.97
Durable goods	357.90	353.99	345.02	39.9	38.9	40.4	8.97	9.10	8.54
Mach. & elec. prods.	361.67	366.62	348.02	40.5	40.2	40.8	8.93	9.12	8.53
Other durables	351.27	337.94	340.69	38.9	37.3	39.8	9.03	9.06	8.56
Nondurable goods	348.50	329.94	276.97	43.4	42.3	38.9	8.03	7.80	7.12
Textiles & apparel	301.18	281.48	260.83	42.6	40.5	39.4	7.07	6.95	6.62
Other nondurables	366.64	348.30	282.12	43.7	43.0	38.7	8.39	8.10	7.29

Sample Percen of Production Workers: 55%

Total Production Workers: 10,750

Firms Reporting: 46

Nashua PMSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
All manufacturing	$416.72	$420.86	$398.37	41.3	41.1	40.9	$10.09	$10.24	$9.74
Durable goods	422.89	428.28	406.13	41.5	41.3	41.4	10.19	10.37	9.81
Mach. & elec. prods.	461.05	465.75	433.30	41.8	41.4	40.8	11.03	11.25	10.62
Other durables	336.19	343.61	335.20	40.8	41.2	42.7	8.24	8.34	7.85
Nondurable goods	392.85	387.77	367.93	40.5	40.1	39.1	9.70	9.67	9.41

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 63%

Total Production Workers: 20,200

Firms Reporting: 70

*Not validated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics

Number of Active Applicants and Female Applicants by Major Occupational Category
Period Ending February 1986

	NEW HAMPSHIRE		MANCHESTER		NASHUA	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
TOTAL	12,727	5,359	2,412	1,092	1,607	698
Prof., Tech. Managerial (00,19)	1,754	592	289	94	306	108
Clerical (20-24)	2,211	1,805	413	327	306	259
Sales (25-29)	608	283	142	62	71	36
Services (3)	1,936	1,105	377	215	240	138
Farm (4)	162	23	16	1	14	2
Processing (5)	235	57	42	9	30	12
Machine Trade (6)	1,122	361	190	93	100	32
Benchwork (7)	1,211	788	343	211	112	80
Structural (8)	2,108	104	314	25	303	17
Miscellaneous (9)	1,335	222	283	52	122	13
Unclassified	45	19	3	3	3	1

Employment Service Activity

ITEM	February 1986	January 1986	July 1, 1985 to Feb. 28, 1986
Total applicants for employment	1,109	1,189	12,727
Total nonagricultural job openings received	1,657	1,852	19,590
Job openings unfilled end of month	1,544	1,318	xxx
Placements - nonagricultural & agricultural	695	892	10,142